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	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Benjamin H. Layno	3711	

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 2 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 March 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☒ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8, 10-38, 49, 52-58 and 60-67 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8, 10-38, 49, 52-58 and 60-67 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 3) <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-8, 10-38, 49, 52-58 and 60-67 are rejected as being based upon a defective reissue declaration under 35 U.S.C. 251 as set forth above. See 37 CFR 1.175.
2. The amendment filed 03/08/06 is not covered by a declaration. For any error corrected, which is not covered by an oath or declaration, i.e., any error corrected after the filing of all oaths and declarations currently in the reissue application, applicant **MUST** submit a supplemental oath or declaration (a "catch-up" oath or declaration) prior to allowance stating *"Every error in the patent which was corrected in the present reissue application, and which is not covered by the prior oath(s) and/or declaration(s) submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant."* (37 CFR 1.175(b)(1)), or language equivalent thereto. See MPEP 1444 for handling supplemental oaths and declarations.

The nature of the defect(s) in the declaration is set forth in the discussion above in this Office action.

There is no statement setting forth the status of all patent claims (e.g. claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-25 and 27). Each amendment submission must set forth the status of **all patent** claims and of all added claims (i.e., "pending" or "canceled") as of the date of the amendment. 37 CFR 1.173(c).

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-38, 49, 52-58 and 60-67 are allowed.

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: None of the cited references alone or in combination teach the claimed "a secondary display.....provided on said gaming machine at a location disposed apart from the main display operable to display video content comprising pixilated video frame data related to at least a secondary bonus game; a graphics controller operable to provide the video content to the secondary display fast enough to allow animated objects to appear to move continuously on the secondary display; and a player tracking device mounted on said chassis....the gaming machine is designed and configured to cause the player tracking information and the video content comprising pixilated video frame data related to player tracking information to be displayed on at least one of the main display and the secondary display", recited in claim 26. Furthermore, none of the cited references alone or in combination teach "a top box portion wherein said top box portion is detachable from the gaming machine and is located above the main display portion of the gaming machine, comprising; a secondary display separate from the main display which is operable to display video content comprising pixilated video frame data wherein the gaming machine is operable to cause video content including player tracking information to be displayed on the secondary display", recited in claim 49. Furthermore, none of the cited references alone or in combination teach "a top box portion wherein said top box portion is detachable from the gaming machine and is located above the main display portion of the gaming machine, comprising; a secondary display configured to display video content wherein the gaming machine is operable to display on the secondary display gaming information including pay out information related to the

selected primary game while the outcome of the selected primary game is displayed on the main display, recited in claim 63.

5. As allowable subject matter has been indicated, applicant's reply must either comply with all formal requirements or specifically traverse each requirement not complied with. See 37 CFR 1.111(b) and MPEP § 707.07(a).

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

6. This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

Submission of a new declaration, see above, and statement setting forth the status of all patent claims (e.g. claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-25 and 27), see above.

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

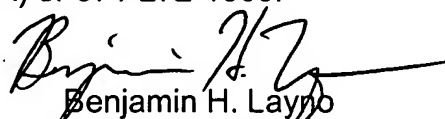
A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO MONTHS** from the mailing date of this letter.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Benjamin H. Layno whose telephone number is (571) 272-4424. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 1st Friday Off.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Eugene Kim can be reached on (571)272-4463. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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